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EXPORT OF NON EDIBLE OIL CAKES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether non-edible oil cakes are exported in large quantities to Korea, Taiwan etc. for use as organic manure;

(b) whether this manure has been proved beneficial in improving soil productivity, reducing attack of pests and improving quality, flavour, taste and colour etc; and

(c) if so, the details of programmes in hand at present to promote use of non-edible oil cakes in agriculture and horticulture instead of exporting the same to other countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): Export of non-edible oil cakes to Korea, Chinese Taipei and other countries have been made.

(b): Non-edible oil cakes of neem, karanj, mahua etc. could be a good organic source as manure for increasing soil productivity and in some cases useful in preventing pest attack also.

(c): There is no specific scheme to promote the use of non-edible oil cakes in agriculture and horticulture. However, Government propagates the integrated use of plant nutrients through chemical fertilizers, organic manures of various types including oil seed cakes.